# Florida Historical Commission Awards Subcommittee Teleconference 500 South Bronough Street, Tallahassee, Florida, Room 307 R.A. Gray Building Tuesday, March 28, 2017 3:30 p.m. - Conclusion

## **Meeting Minutes**

**Subcommittee Members Participating In-Person:** None.

Subcommittee Members Participating by Teleconference:

Mr. Bob Ward; Mr. Steve Birtman; Dr. Clifford Smith.

#### **Staff Members Present:**

Dr. Timothy A. Parsons, RPA, Director, Division of Historical Resources and State Historic Preservation Officer; Ms. Susanne Hunt, Outreach Programs Supervisor; Dr. Sarah Liko, Program Administrator.

#### Members of the Public Present:

None.

# Item I. Call to Order and Roll Call

Mr. Ward called the meeting to order at 3:37 p.m. Mr. Ward and Mr. Birtman were present at this time, and quorum was met.

#### Item II. Adoption of Agenda

Mr. Birtman moved to adopt the agenda, and Mr. Ward seconded the motion.

# Item III. Summary of Awards and Nomination Process

Mr. Ward gave a summary and qualifications of the Mary Call Darby Collins and Senator Bob Williams Awards.

#### Item IV. Discussion of Nominations for the Mary Call Darby Collins Award

Mr. Ward announced that there were three nominations completed for the Mary Call Darby Collins Award: Pete Esthus, Nick McAuliffe, and Angelo Perez. Mr. Birtman expressed that all the people nominated are interesting and bring a lot to the table, but his personal opinion was that Nick McAuliffe was the best candidate. Mr. Ward stated his preference for Angelo Perez, and asked Ms. Hunt if she could give any information. Ms. Hunt provided information on Angelo Perez because she was familiar with his impact on the preservation of Ybor and his service on DHR panels. Mr. Ward asked if either had previously been recognized. Dr. Parsons answered that Nick McAuliffe received the William C. Lazarus Award in 2014 from the Florida Anthropological Society. Mr. Ward asked Mr. Birtman what he especially liked about Nick McAuliffe. Mr. Birtman answered that he appreciated how he found something to do in retirement and his contributions to St. Augustine, which is an important city to the past and present of Florida.

# Item V. Approval of Nomination for the Mary Call Darby Collins Award

Mr. Ward asked for a motion to approve Nick McAuliffe as the nomination to present to the full FHC for the Mary Call Darby Collins Award. Mr. Birtman so moved. Mr. Ward seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

## Item VI. Discussion of Nominations for the Senator Bob Williams Award

Mr. Ward announced that there were three nominations for the Senator Bob Williams Award: Uzi Baram, Carl Halbirt, and Bob Graham. Mr. Ward opened the discussion for comments on the nominations. Mr. Birtman expressed that he had no strong feelings toward any particular nomination. Dr. Smith called in to the teleconference at 3:50 p.m. Dr. Smith expressed that in his opinion, Bob Graham was an exceptional candidate.

## Item VII. Approval of Nomination for the Senator Bob Williams Award

Mr. Ward asked for a motion to approve Bob Graham as the nomination to present to the full FHC for the Senator Bob Williams Award. Dr. Smith so moved. Mr. Birtman seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

#### **Item VIII. Public Comment**

None

#### Item IX. Adjourn

Mr. Ward explained that the awards subcommittee will present the recommended nominations to the FHC at the next business meeting on May 12. Mr. Birtman moved to adjourn, and Dr. Smith seconded. The motion passed unanimously, and the meeting adjourned at 3:55 p.m.

Presiding Officer

State Historic Preservation Officer and Director, Division of Historical Resources

Approved: Nay 2017